

Codes

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Form of Original Item

Orig

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In record for print original

008/22 (Orig) = #

008/23 (Form) = #

Original microforms

In record for microform

008/22 (Orig) = b

008/23 (Form) = b

Electronic resources

CONSER practice for electronic resources differs somewhat from that for microforms because the distinctions between original and reproduction are less clear. With electronic resources, a serial may be produced originally in a digital form from which a print version and an electronic version are both created. For this reason, the use of “reproduction” is limited to scanned images of dead serials for which it is clear that the original was print. For other electronic serials for which a separate record is created, both the form of item and original form of item are coded as electronic.

Reproductions: (limited to scanned dead serials)

Original form: print

008/22 (Orig) = #

Form of item: electronic

008/23 (Form) = s

Versions: (all others)

Original form: electronic

008/22 (Orig) = s

Form of item: electronic

008/23 (Form) = s

When it is difficult to determine the form originally published, code as follows:

- ***microform, braille, etc.:*** consider the first item entered in the database to be the original form.

Original version unknown:

Form of first item

in database: large print

008/22 (Orig) = d

008/23 (Form) = d

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Orig

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Prior to 2002 (???), code s was used for all electronic serials because CONSER did not distinguish between reproductions and versions.

CONSER maintenance

The code for 008/22 does not need to be changed in existing records unless it is known that the original form was other than normal print (e.g., the item is a large print reproduction; the original is microfiche). Exception: in records for electronic resources that are not reproductions, add code 's'. In all cases, the code for 008/22 should only be changed when the record is being reviewed for authentication or updated to accommodate changes in the serial.

Related fields, etc. 008/23, 580, 780/785, App. M, App. N.